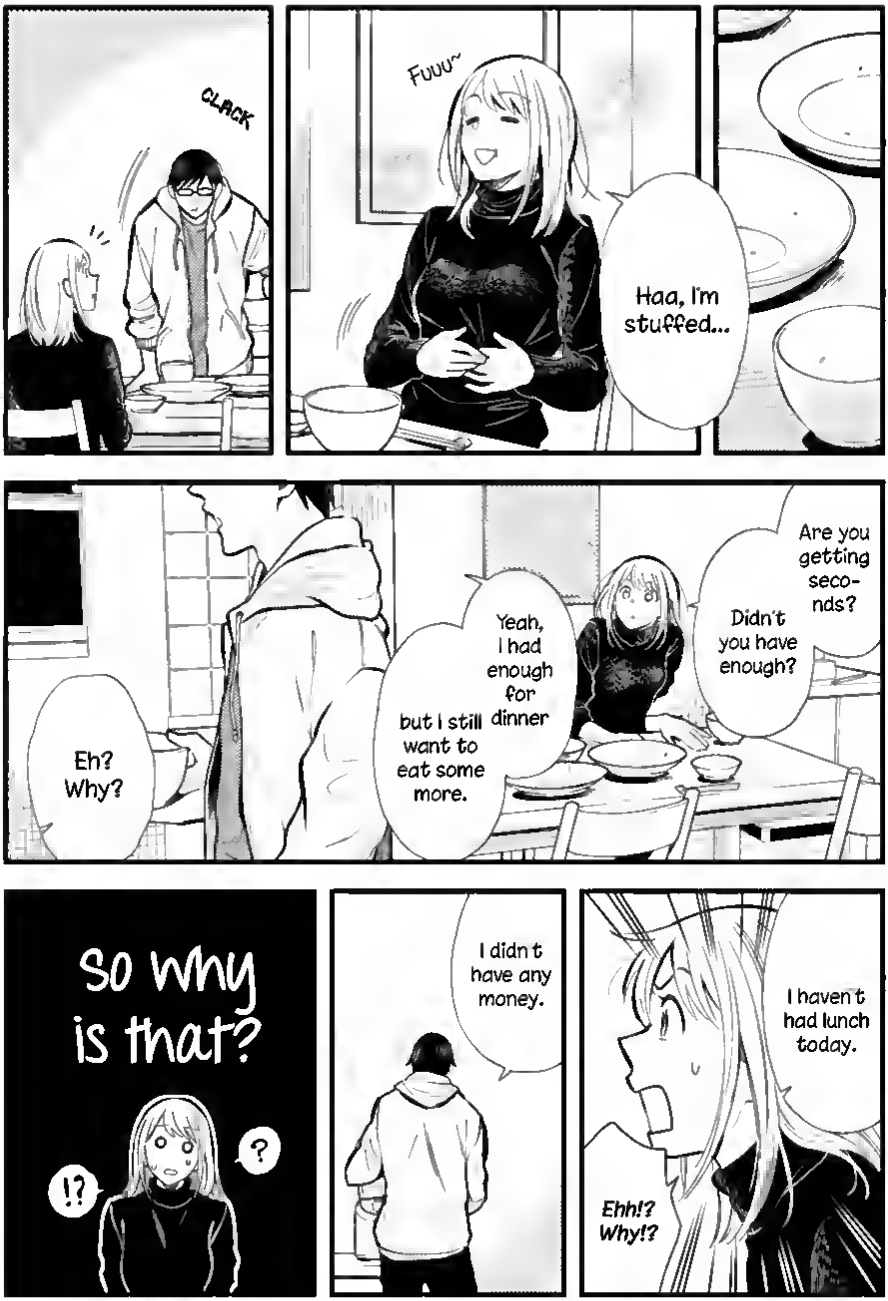
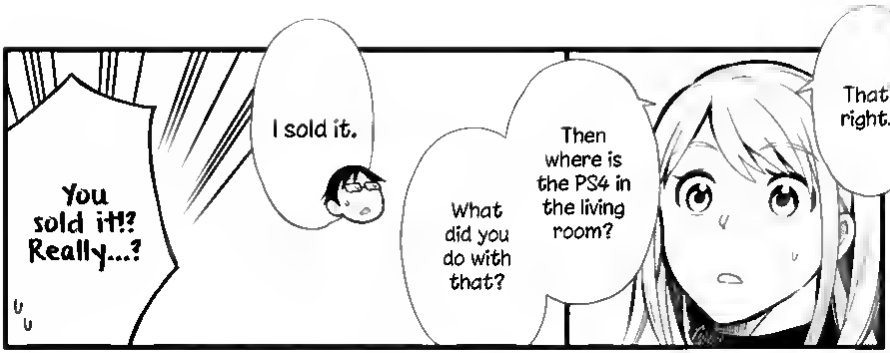
#15
Silence...
Oh... is he not home yet?
AHAHA
I'm hooo-me~
Hey onii-chan, check this out~
Do you remember this? From back when we were kids?
I got this as a souvenir...
Hm?
thud
Haaa~
I'm so tired...
Satou-san, express delivery for you.
Coming!
So many cardboard boxes...
Did he buy some computer parts online?

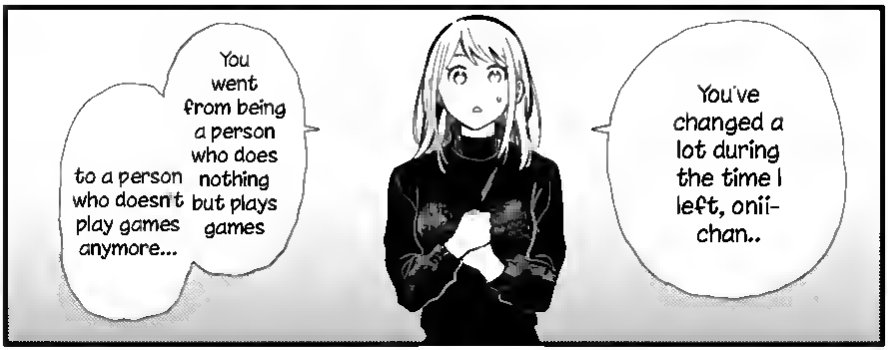
I have a package~!!!
BARRUM
Oniichan!?
I got your package right here!
Oh, Tamaki, thank you
Hmm...
Hmm...
I didn't know if I could make it in time, so I ran all the way back from the station...
Ah... welcome back...
Scary
Uh... yeah... welcome back, oniichan...
GYAAA
Mister delivery man!!! Wait uuup!!!
UWWWAAAAAA?!!!
Addressed to oniichan...?
ZO
I don't remember ordering anything...
Hm? ZOZO?

How's Mom?
"Just some clothes"?
What did you buy from ZONO?
Just some clothes.♪
Hm?
What's the situation over there?
step
step
Ah yeah
Mom got a lot better~
And then, listen to this! Dad was
Hmm~!
Home is truly the most relaxing place~

Ah
The PS4 is gone...?
.....?
What's with this uncomfortable feeling...
What is this...
Hey Tamaki,
I'm making dinner. Do you want some too?
.....?
Ah, yeah.
Oh, but I am a bit tired from carrying all that luggage today. I'm fine with just some reheated food.
Will that be enough?
Eh...?
Yeah, it's enough, the luggage was SUPER heavy.


CLACK
Fuuu~
Haa, I'm stuffed...
Are you getting seco-nds?
Didn't you have enough?
Yeah, I had enough for dinner but I still want to eat some more.
Eh? Why?
So why is that?
!?
?
I didn't have any money.
I haven't had lunch today.
Ehh!? Why!?


That's right...
Then where is the PS4 in the living room?
What did you do with that?
I sold it.
You sold it!? Really...?


You've changed a lot during the time I left, onii-chan..
You went from being a person who does nothing but plays games to a person who doesn't play games anymore...

I'm just pressed by necessity that's all
I'll buy them back slowly once I have my pay check

NO
I DON'T INTEND TO DO THAT AT ALL!!

I've been having this weird feeling about this whole thing
I just thought that you could find out about it naturally
Ah, it's not like I was trying to hide it or anything
going as far as skipping lunch and selling his PS4,
an onii-chan in poverty,
A heap of empty cardboard boxes,
bang
a box of clothing brought by express delivery service.
and most of all
ZOTOWN

Your room is so dirty!!
No, wait!
Why are there so many more cardboard boxes!!
bang
What...?
Just what in the world did he buy...?

SPARKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
!?
What...
How!?
New clothes!? And all of them are brand-name products??
So many...
So much money...
I can't afford this~
bubble bubble
Get a hold of yourself, Tamaki!!
GYAAAA
Receipt

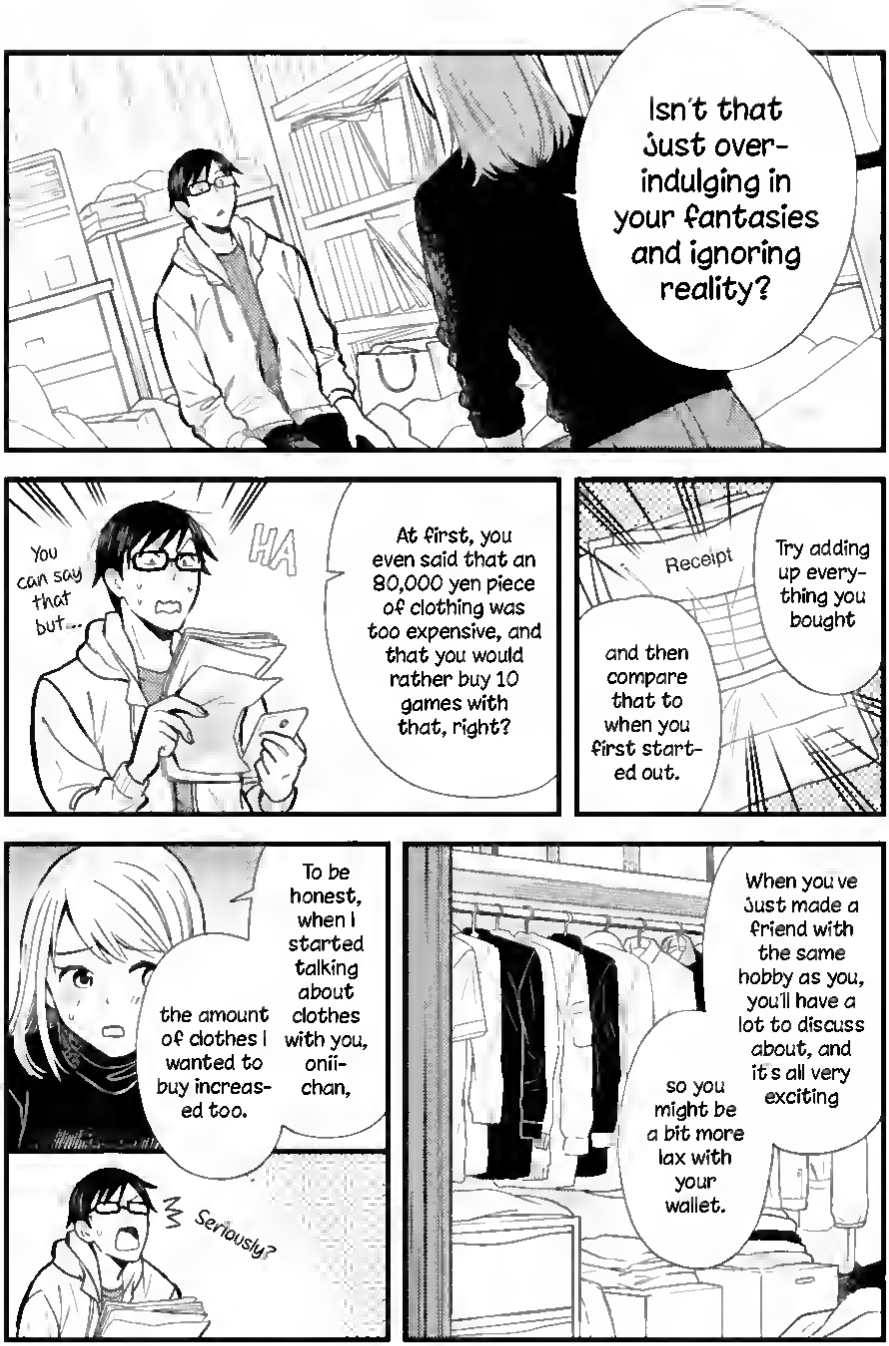
Wait, wait, Tamaki
Calm down and listen to me
I don't have a credit card, you know...?
So all of this stuff has already been paid for!
I have already paid for everything, alright?
So you don't have to worry about a thing...
"Don't have to worry"...?
YOU SOLD YOUR GAMING CONSOLE AND COULDN'T BUY IT BACK
THEN THAT MEANS YOU USED UP ALL OF YOUR SAVINGS, DIDN'T YOU!?
RAWR
Light
Uh
Uhh—
mm...

Geez, I don't even know where to start...
Haa...
That's right...
First of all... why did you buy so many expensive clothes?
What was the trigger?
The trigger was at the reunion party...
I've talked a little bit about her before, right?
The person who caused my fashion trauma back in middle school.
I do remember something like that...
A lot of things have happened, and we made up.
Well, she was never a bad girl to begin with...
Stare...
Grgr
Please calm down and listen to me...

She talks about fashion with such glee
that I had fun just listening to her.
Her name... is Higuchi
her knowledge of fashion is amazing.
Higuchi knew a lot about the quality of high brand fashion too.
After listening to her
I started wanting to dress better too, if it's within my reach...
Yeah! That too!
So that's what it is
I get it now...
...so that time when you wanted to go to Isetan was because of her too.

*Isetan was the department store they went to at the end of chapter 11

First of all
I'm not saying you can't buy expensive clothing ever.
There are a lot of stuff that I want to buy too.
I know, right!?
If you can afford them, then buying them isn't necessarily bad.
There are times when there's stuff that you just have to buy no matter how absurd it is too, and I don't think that's bad either.
Yeah, I know, right!?
There are those times too, right?
It's not just clothing.
Whenever you start getting into a new hobby, you will want to buy all sorts of stuff.
Ufufufu
I know, right?
Ehehee
It was all just by accident...
But when you think about it...


Isn't that just over-indulging in your fantasies and ignoring reality?
You can say that but...
HA
At first, you even said that an 80,000 yen piece of clothing was too expensive, and that you would rather buy 10 games with that, right?
Receipt
Try adding up everything you bought
and then compare that to when you first started out.
To be honest, when I started talking about clothes with you, onii-chan,
the amount of clothes I wanted to buy increased too.
Seriously?
When you've just made a friend with the same hobby as you, you'll have a lot to discuss about, and it's all very exciting
so you might be a bit more lax with your wallet.

THAT'S SO SCARY!
This situation
is super likely to happen again!
HA
AA
AA
AA
AA
So I think you've unknowingly let the situation escalate to this level...
!!
Oh god, it's true...
If I keep this up, something really bad is going to happen...
Eh!?
You're not gonna buy back the PS4!?
My payday is still days off
and I'm already thinking about what clothes to buy next!
But everything is fine now, right?
With this, you can practice more self-control and...
Piriri...

I just got a mail from Higuchi...
!
What's wrong?
She said she wants to meet up and go look at some clothes again
but... what should I do...
.....
.....
I am
going too!
...let's go.

#15 END

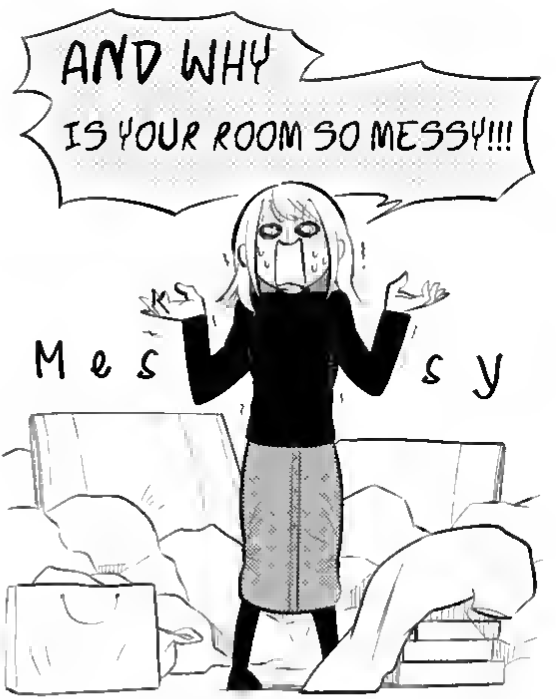
# MB's Note #15

## It's just clothes

After buying his first piece of Western clothing, Yuusuke, who has only just started taking an interest in fashion recently, spiraled into a state called "Fashion-holic". If you like clothing, you've probably experienced this condition once yourself. He may have Tamaki to ground him this time, but his views have been twisted. He's likely to fall prey into his hubris and think "I'm more fashionable than everyone else, and those who dress poorly should be looked down on!"

As I've mentioned in Volume 1, "It's just clothes" is what I would use to describe fashion. It's something you should enjoy without getting yourself too worked up. It should not be something to be scared of, but at the same time it should not be obsessed over to the point of spending all of your money. If someone is not interested in it, you should not berate them for that. If you have read "Dress up" up to this point, you must have developed at least some interest in fashion, so make use of that power and remember to have fun. "Fashion is all about balance" still holds true, no matter how many times I've mentioned it. Dressing way too pompously all the time will make you look gross. Being moderate is the best, so please don't cut off other hobbies, or worse, cut into living expenses just to pursue fashion.

Outfits that enhance your personality, emphasize your best physical traits, and are within budget are a dime a dozen. But finding that perfect outfit is really enjoyable. You don't necessarily need to buy only expensive clothing or high quality products to appreciate fashion. Just enjoy what you want and what's within your limits. As we continue to talk about fashion know-hows and other nuggets of knowledge, don't forget to "have fun using your own power."


AND WHY
IS YOUR ROOM SO MESSY!!!
M e s
s y

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